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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)	
YOSHIYUKI ENDO)	Examiner: A. Moe
Application No.: 09/976,093)	Group Art Unit: 2612
Filed: October 15, 2001)	
For: EXTERNAL STORAGE DEVICE)	January 5, 2005
FOR IMAGE PICKUP)	
APPARATUS, CONTROL)	
METHOD THEREFOR, IMAGE)	
PICKUP APPARATUS AND)	
CONTROL METHOD THEREFOR :)	

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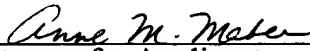
Applicant submits herewith a substitute specification to replace the specification originally filed in the present application. A marked-up copy of the original specification, showing the matter added and deleted in the substitute specification, is also submitted herewith. Applicant submits that the substitute specification contains no new matter.

Applicant believes that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be required.

Favorable consideration is requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C., office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address below.

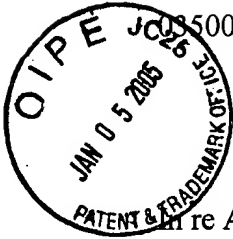
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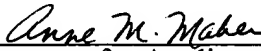
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Transmitted herewith is one (1) sheet of formal drawings to be substituted for the corresponding drawing sheet presently on file in this application.

In response to the objection to Figure 18 made in the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, Figure 18 has been amended to add the label --Prior Art--. Favorable consideration is requested.

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